



## **We're Really Glad You Found Us.**

Every family's journey looks different. You belong here, exactly as you are.

### **First: We See You**

Receiving a diagnosis, noticing delays, or realizing your child's path may look different can change everything.

You may feel:

- Confused or overwhelmed
- Grateful and grieving at the same time
- Isolated or unsure of what comes next

Whatever brought you here, your feelings are valid.

### **This Journey Is Not One-Size-Fits-All**

Some families walk this road from birth. Others learn along the way. Some receive answers quickly while others wait months or years. There is no "right" timeline. There is no right way to feel.

### **Why Our Foundation Exists**

Beyond the Cry Foundation exists to ensure that families who receive a Cri du Chat diagnosis are not alone.

From the moment of diagnosis and through every season that follows, we are here to walk beside you offering encouragement, resources, and a community that understands this unique journey.

We know this path can feel isolating and overwhelming. Our mission is to remind you that you are supported, seen, and never expected to carry this alone. You don't need to have answers. You don't need to be strong all the time. You just need to know, you belong here.

Take this at your pace. There is no pressure here. When you're ready, you can:

- Apply for support or supplies
- Connect with our community
- Learn from shared experiences
- Simply know you're not alone

One day at a time is enough.

## **A Gentle Reminder**

"My grace is sufficient for you, for my power is made perfect in weakness."

2 Corinthians 12:9

You are allowed to grieve what you imagined. You are allowed to celebrate who your child is. Both can exist together.

## **You Don't Have to Do This Alone**

Community matters, especially on a journey that can feel isolating. We have created private Facebook communities for families who have received a Cri du Chat diagnosis. These spaces are designed to connect you with others who understand the questions, the emotions, and the realities that come with this journey.

Our communities include:

**[Beyond The Cry- Family Community](#)**: A welcoming space for parents and families to connect, share experiences, ask questions, and support one another.

**[Beyond The Cry - Dads Community](#)**: A space specifically for fathers to connect with other dads walking a similar path, share openly, and find encouragement from men who understand the unique role of being a dad to a child with Cri du Chat.

In this space, you can:

- Read and learn quietly, or share when you're ready
- Ask questions without fear or judgment
- Connect with families at different stages of the journey
- Be reminded that you are not alone in this

There is no pressure to post. There is no expectation to explain yourself. You are welcome exactly where you are. When you're ready, we'd be honored to have you join us.